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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

eKIPASS, WPI, USPTO, PAJ, NCBI, INSPECT "particle, flow, nozzle, focusing, channel, fluid, manipulation, Microparticles, microfluidic, system, sizing, focusing, asymmetric"

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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